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Serial No.: 09/901,427) Examiner: R. Dye
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For: TRANSPARENT MULTILAYER)
POLYPROPYLENE CONTAINER)
WITH BARRIER PROTECTION)

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DECLARATION OF DR. ROBERT KNOLL

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

I, the undersigned Robert Knoll, Ph.D., declares the following:

1. I was an employee of Pechiney Plastics Packaging, Inc. and a co-worker of the named inventors on the filing date of the present application.
2. I have received a Bachelor of Science degree in Nuclear Engineering (1973), a Masters of Science degree in Nuclear Engineering (1974), another Masters of Science degree in Materials Science (1978), and a Ph.D. in Engineering Physics/Nuclear Engineering (1981), all from the University of Wisconsin at Madison on the dates respectively indicated.
3. I have over twenty five years of experience as an innovative engineer and applied materials scientist. My experience as a materials scientist includes substantial research and analysis of polymers and polymer processing. For example, in my approximately eight years as a senior technical staff member at Johnson Controls, Inc., I conducted research and development